STRENGTHENING HEALTH STAFF THROUGH HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR IMPROVING HOME MANAGEMENT

FOR CEREBRAL PALSY CHILDREN



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ABSTRACT

Cerebral palsy known to be as one of the most causes of physical disability found among children in the world. It represents about one every three hundred babies inborn or developed cerebral palsy (WHO, 1993)

This study deals with the issue of inappropriate practice of mothers / care takers in home management for children with cerebral palsy in Kamphaeng Sean district, Nakhon Pathom, Thailand. The consequences of inappropriate practice of mothers / care takers in home management affect directly to the child development and lead to secondary condition such as contractures and deformities, and pressure sore. These consequences can then be a burden to the family and public health care. The associated variables affecting mothers' performance on home management are analyzed in the essay.

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For preparing an intervention, a rapid assessment was conducted in a village in Kamphaeng Saen to explore the knowledge, attitude and practice of mothers/care takers in home management. And the strategy is to strengthen health post staff through health education program for improving home management for cerebral palsy children.

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